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GENEVA FOR AMBASSADOR YOUNG

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS WITH UN ON VAROSHA

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1. AMB LEONARD JULY 7 PROVIDED GUYER AND SHERRY OF UN SECRETARIAT WITH TEXT OF TURKISH PAPER ON VAROSHA AND WITH BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH THE TURKS ON THIS PAPER AS PER REFTEL. HE INFORMED THEM THAT IT WAS PLANNED THAT AMB YOUNG WOULD MAKE THE SAME PRESENTATION TO WALDHEIM IN GENEVA. LEONARD ALSO TOLD THEM THAT THEY SHOULD FEEL FREE TO SHARE THIS TEXT WITH TURKISH UN MISSION, WHICH WE BELIEVE IS NOT FAMILIAR WITH IT'S CONTENTS, BUT SHOULD EXERCISE CAUTION IN AVOIDING ANY PREMATURE DISCUSSION.
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SION OF IT WITH GREEK CYPRIOTS.

2. GUYER EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR OUR EFFORTS TO STIMULATE MOVEMENT ON VAROSHA AS PART OF THE LARGER GOAL OF OBTAINING RESUMPTION OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATIONS. HE INFORMED LEONARD THAT WALDHEIM WOULD BE RETURNING TO NY EITHER JULY 10 OR 11, AND THAT THEY WOULD BE DISCUSSING

WITH HIM THE HANDLING OF ANY CONSULTATIONS WITH DENKTASH ON THIS PAPER. NOTE: GUYER HAD SPOKEN WITH WALDHEIM ON THE TELEPHONE JUST BEFORE THIS MEETING TOOK PLACE, AND TOLD US THAT WALDHEIM MADE NO REFERENCE TO AN APPROACH BY AMBASSADOR YOUNG.

3. AS REGARDS THE HANDLING OF THE TURKISH PAPER IN NY, SHERRY NOTED THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS HAD ALREADY HEARD FROM WESTERN SOURCES THAT SUBJECT OF VAROSHA WAS UNDER DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE US AND THE TURKS. CYPRIOT DEPUTY PERMREP JACOVIDES ALSO ASKED AMB LEONARD ABOUT POSSIBLE NEW TURKISH VIEWS REGARDING "A PARTICULAR CITY ON MY ISLAND" AT A RECEPTION ON JULY 6. LEONARD TOLD HIM THAT THERE WERE SOME INDICATIONS OF FLEXIBILITY FROM ANKARA BUT THAT NOTHING AS YET HAS CRYSTALLIZED. LEONARD RECOMMENDED THAT UN TAKE SAME APPROACH IF THEY RECEIVE INQUIRIES OVER THE WEEKEND FROM GREEK CYPRIOTS. HE STRESSED AGAIN IMPORTANCE OF PREVENTING PREMATURE DISCLOSURE OF TURKISH PAPER WHICH COULD THEN BE USED TO TRY TO BLOCK RESUMPTION OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS.

4. SHERRY ALSO OUTLINED TO US CURRENT UN THINKING ON A POSSIBLE SCENARIO FOR THE RESUMPTION OF THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS -- A SCENARIO THAT HAD NOT YET BEEN CONSIDERED BY WALDHEIM, AND THUS HAD NO STATUS. THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE PRIOR AGREEMENT, HE SUGGESTED AMONG CONFIDENTIAL

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ALL THE PARTIES THAT THE TALKS WOULD TAKE PLACE ON THE BASIS OF BOTH THE GREEK AND THE TURKISH PROPOSALS. IF THIS COULD BE ATTAINED, THE FIRST SEVERAL SESSIONS OF THE RESUMED NEGOTIATIONS THEN WOULD BE DEVOTED TO THE EXPOSITION OF THE WELL-KNOWN GREEK AND TURKISH ARGUMENTS, AND GIVEN THE FACT THAT THEIR PROPOSALS WERE IRRECONCILABLE, WOULD END UP WITH A MUTUAL DECISION TO REJECT BOTH OF THEM. IN EFFECT, AFTER SEVERAL DAYS THE NEGOTIATING AGENDA WOULD BE A TABULA RASA. THEREAFTER, BY PRIOR AGREEMENT, THE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD FOCUS ON THE EFFORT TO WORK OUT UNDERSTANDINGS ON SPECIFIC MEASURES -- PARTICULARLY THE STATUS OF VAROSHA AND THE NICOSIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

5. SHERRY ALSO INFORMED US THAT HE HAD CONTACTED TURKISH DEPUTY AKIMEN ON JULY 6 TO FIND OUT WHETHER THE NEW YORK MISSION HAD ANY INFORMATION ABOUT ANY NEW GOT THINKING ON VAROSHA. AKIMAN INDICATED THAT HE HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS FROM ANKARA BUT WOULD INFORM THE MINISTRY BY CABLE OF THE SECRETARIAT REQUEST. AS OF JULY 7 AT NOON, SHERRY HAD NOT HAD A REPLY FROM AKIMEN. LEONARD

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